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Editors' Table.

DEATH, wherever and whenever it comes, brings sadness and sorrow, but it is to be doubly lamented, when, by its untimely presence, a young man of special vigor and promise for an active and useful life is taken away. The recent death of William P. Clark, a member of the class of ninety-four, is an event that was unlooked for and one that casts a shadow over his class and college mates that long will be remembered. He was a faithful, earnest and hard-working student; of genial and kindly nature, he was a companion and friend faithful and true, much respected and admired by all who knew him. For the past two years he has been one of the editors of the UNDERGRADUATE and at the time of his death was editor-in-chief of the *Kaleidoscope*, in untiring zeal and work for which it is thought his general health was much impaired and undermined. Perhaps the most prominent characteristics of his nature were the energy and persistency with which he performed that to which he once had set his hand, and his unswerving allegiance and respect for all that he regarded as duty, justice and right. In his death Middlebury sustains the loss of one of its most promising students, and its students mourn the departure of one whose presence and help will be sadly missed.

THOUGH not without what we in the past have thought to be valuable and varied experience in work with other publications, yet it is now with the greatest hesitancy that under present circumstances we take up the editorial pen of the UNDERGRADUATE, a position we had not coveted or expected at this stage of our course. We enter upon our work as chief not without a realizing sense of the responsibility and duties connected with the position, and the constant effort and attention that will be necessary to maintain the UNDERGRADUATE at its present grade of literary standing and general worth. In entering upon our new position we have no special words of wisdom to offer, hobbies to grind, or plans to present. We wish only to say that so long as we work impartially, candidly and faithfully, doing all things to the best of our ability, so long as our efforts are deserving of support and encouragement, so long we respectfully solicit the aid and co-operation of the student body, alumni and all former friends and supporters. For the encouragement and good wishes received from certain of the alumni, faculty and students we are truly grateful and we shall strive to merit the same.

OUR readers may notice with this issue changes in the editorial board. In the present list are only two who were on the board last year. With systems in vogue for election with many college papers such a list might indicate the accession to editorial responsibilities of so many inexperienced persons, but with our system of competition all must have had ex-

perience as contributors previous to their election, and so have had experience to some extent under the guidance of others. The members of this board do not intend to follow the example of what we understand to have been the habit with some of their predecessors, who have worked enough to get their name on the list and then stopped. This is especially liable to be the case when such members are of the Senior class and are not obliged, by the constitution, to work to maintain their position. In any case, however, we realize that position and the maintaining of position is in itself nothing but disinterested service. There is, or at least should be, much benefit in working for our college publication. The present board do not believe they are afraid of work and will strive to the best of their ability to make this the most properous and progressive year in the history of the UNDERGRADUATE.

THE change in the manner of making up lost recitations is a thing that will meet with approval from both faculty and students. The old manner of reciting orally and privately each lesson which had been missed was the source of an enormous amonnt of drudgery, nor could it be claimed as more than a partial remedy for the loss sustained. The new method admits of no more absences from recitations than the average student would have good excuse for, and, provided these only were lost, the subject-matter would be learned from the other recitations. And if more than the fifteen per cent limit of absence be taken, the written test must be fully as adequate a means of ascertaining whether the student has actually made up his work as the former method.

THE UNDERGRADUATE appears this month with a new dress. Perhaps the pattern may not be especially admired, but is it not an improvement? It seems to be a general understanding in all the animal and natural world that things should appear in a new attire in the spring of the year. People have followed the custom and appear in the latest styles at this period of the year. Why, then, is it not proper and fitting that the UNDERGRADUATE should be in style? It has worn its old dress for two years uncomplainingly. It has become worn and dirty. It seemed that a change must be made either by cutting a new from the old pattern, or, what seems better and more deserving, to give our paper a new dress after the modern style. For the present issue we have tried the one in which it appears; it may not be permanent or for more than one issue. We are experimenting somewhat and may possibly come back to the original cut as the best thing presentable in its present circumstances. Some have said that our old cut was something of a college affair and quite classical. All of which we acknowledge may be true. To some it may be considered artistic, or at least a thing worthy of being continued, but to the people in general we believe it seemed dull and unattractive and conveyed an erroneous and inadequate impression of the college buildings. Furthermore, the days of picture book presentations for outside sheets of publications is wholly past. We had thought to make some other slight changes, but are unable to do so at present. However, we hope to make more improvements in the near future.

THOSE who aspire to positions on the editorial board of the UNDERGRADUATE should bear in mind that a good start and great advantage may be gained by beginning at once and contributing to the spring numbers rather than by waiting till the beginning of the fall term. Changes in the editorial board are sure to occur each year, and by beginning now and by careful and continuous contributions it may be comparatively an easy task to secure a position on the board. A book of record will be carefully kept, as was the case last year, and the approximate number of words contributed and also the number printed will be recorded; and all material handed in will be preserved, and count in competition, whether printed or not. Work in a literary line cannot but prove of great practical value to those engaged, and we need more enthusiasm in the college in branching out in this line of making endeavors just to see what we can accomplish, if nothing more. Story-writing is quite extensively engaged in in many colleges by students and good results produced in the college journals by such efforts. Our orations show literary ability and originality. Let stories or other original and special contributions be written for the UNDERGRADUATE; the work will be profitable and enjoyable and our gratitude beyond measure. Begin at once.

WE have recently observed the common complaint among our larger colleges spoken of in some of their publications. The persistent custom of the students to divide into societies, cliques and associations, and in the four-years' course on account of

this custom they have at best but a narrow acquaintanceship. The *Ariel* in a recent editorial thus speaks: "How little one-half the students know of the other half. Here, as in the rest of the world, wealth, good clothes and a society pin cover a multitude of faults". And this illustrates the rebuffs and ridicule the poorer-clothed and harder-workers for knowledge, the ones who are battling the tide of difficulties to obtain a college education, generally meet with in our larger colleges. This seems too often to be the case, and its effect is sometimes perceivable in the student who has tried one year of college life and given up. Far from home, without sufficient friendly relations, they seek in vain to break the monotony of the regular routine and the social oppression under which they find themselves. The college course assumes a dull, confined aspect, entirely contrary to their former anticipations. We have just cause for congratulations that so pleasant friendly relations exist among the student body of Middlebury, and that what we have of "aristocracy" or class distinction is largely that of brains, ability and worth of character; that those lines have not been drawn in our institution, and that each student forms acquaintanceship and often forms a firm friendship with nearly all the others, and from the varied and pleasant association the college year passes ere we realize it.

WE acknowledge the receipt of an invitation to attend the Congresses in the Department of the Public Press, to convene in Chicago during the week commencing May 22, 1893, as one of the departments of the World's Congress Auxiliary of the World's Fair. We should greatly enjoy being present upon the occasion, but find it necessary to respectfully inform the authorities extending the invitation that we shall be obliged to forego the pleasure on account of editorial and orher duties, which demand our continued presence in this vicinity.

BEFORE beginning our course it was our frequent experience to hear the remark, "Don't be in a hurry to enter college," the idea advanced being to the effect that by waiting a few years more real good would be obtained from the college course; that we then would be more mature and receive more beneficial results in general. Now this may all be true enough to a certain extent, but what experience we have had in college goes to confirm our opinion that students entering college fresh from the fitting school and still young and undeveloped in point of age, stand higher in the class with less study, with apparently as much good and get along in college with much greater ease and enjoyment than the older one, who has been out of school for a year or two engaged in other pursuits. The intellect seems to have become untrained in book knowledge and fails to grasp so quickly the ideas brought forth; while the more recent student is all ready to go right on with his brain development more easily and without loss of enthusiasm or courage. For these and other reasons it seems that the idea of deferring going to college because of financial or other reasons should be overcome in some way if possible and the student step directly from his courses at the school to that of his college career.

ALREADY Commencement is a subject of conversation and discussion and is being looked forward to with anticipation. It promises to be one of the most interesting and enjoyable in many ways of any held for many a year. Perhaps some of the reasons for this are the number of graduates, their individual abilities and the change of programme which we understand is likely to take place. All possible efforts will undoubtedly be made that the closing week of this most prosperous year in the history of the college may be the most interesting and profitable.

THE *Kaleidoscope*, we understand, is contracted to appear June 1. Frank Bigelow, '94, has been made editor-in-chief of the volume to manage and carry out the work as had been planned by Mr. Clark, lately deceased. The first pages of the book are already in the hands of the printer and the work is being rapidly advanced. Its editors and all members of the class are putting earnest and careful work upon the same and no pains are being spared to make it a success in every way; it will undoubtedly prove a volume of special interest and worth in its line, and a matter of much credit to its class and college.

THE first ball game of the season on the home grounds was one that all lovers of decency could admire. That undue yelling and back talk which too often forms the characteristic element of many of our games was noticeably absent. The suppression of this vice is, we believe, one of the best means of drawing large crowds to our games, by thus removing the stig-

ma which oftentimes in the eyes of the higher class of people hangs over all ball games. From the beginning the Colgate team acted as thorough gentlemen, and the crowd, taking an inspiration from them, at all times treated them as such, applauding their sharp fielding frequently.

JUNIOR EXHIBITION.

THE annual exhibition of the Junior class occurred in the town hall Tuesday evening, March 21, 1893. The hall was filled with an appreciative audience. Music was furnished by the college quartette, composed of Toleman, '94, Roscoe, '96, Hasseltine, '93, and Cushman, '95. The orations and essays were of a high order, and showed that the class is in keeping with the advancement of the college. A noticeable and perhaps commendable feature of the programme was that a few of the subjects were chosen and written upon in what may be called a popular style and in such a way as to attract and hold the attention of the audience, rather than a continuation of deep and lofty subjects treated in a deep and lofty style. It is to be regretted that space does not allow a reproduction of all the orations and essays, but as this seemed impracticable, we present two in extracts and two in full from the programme:

Music, Forsaken.
College Quartette.

1. Oration, The Raising of the Masses.
Frank H. Bigelow, Proctor.
2. Oration, Immigration.
William E. Chapman, Moriah Center, N. Y.
3. Classical Essay,* Roman Prototypes.
Laura S. Clark, Ludlow.
4. Oration, Educational Change.
William P. Clark, Vergennes.
5. Oration, Emergencies and Men.
Stanton S. Eddy, Middlebury.

Music, Watch on the Rhine.
College Quartette.

6. Descriptive Essay,* The Yankee.
Abbie L. King, Tyson.
7. Oration, A Plea for Edward Murphy.
Denis J. Hayes, Mineville, N. Y.
8. Oration, James G. Blaine.
Ira H. LaFleur, Bay City, Mich.
9. Literary Essay,* The Science of Correspondences.
Bertha E. Ranslow, Swanton.
10. Oration, Reserve Power
Albert A. Sargent, Ludlow.

Music, Health to the Fairest.
College Quartette.

11. Oration, Egyptian Dreamers.
Henry H. Seely, Middlebury.
12. Literary Essay.* The Spirit of Leadership.
Annie L. Ritchie, Shelburne, Mass,
13. Oration, The Student in Politics.
Charles B. Toleman, Little Britain, N. Y.
14. Oration, A Need of the Schools.
Harry E. Wells, Middlebury.
15. Historical Oration,* The Missions of Gladstone.
Oliver J. Sawyer, East Templeton, Mass.

Music, Sweet and Low.
College Quartette.

*Honor Appointments.

THE SCIENCE OF CORRESPONDENCES.

SWEDENBORG taught that the Bible had a literal and spiritual meaning, and so he gave the science of correspondences. All the ideas corresponded to something else. Thus, we can read Mother Goose and find that the simple rhymes have a two-fold interpretation, the literal for the child, the perpetual and spiritual for the man.

Jack Horner of immortal renown plainly represents the Sophomore or Freshman class, which has successfully partaken of its annual supper without the knowledge of its rival. Such a loud cry of "What a big boy am I" rings for the next few weeks.

"Hi diddle diddle, the cat and the fiddle" is nothing but Mother Goose looking with prophetic eye at the recent election. The cow jumping over the moon is a great political party jumping high over its platform instead of standing on it, while the little dog convulsed with laughter is the defeated party watching the efforts of the victors as they strive to fulfill their pledges. The elopement of the dish and spoon is symbolical of a party pledged to great economy running off with fifty millions more than any congress before assembled. Query, will the country have any spoons at the end of the next four years?

The delicate feeling of Mother Goose is exhibited in that classic verse, "Goosie, Goosie Gander, where do you wander". A vulgar person would have said turkey, for to the inspired reader it is certain that reference is made to a turkey who just before Thanksgiving Day "wanders" and finally finds himself in a "lady's chamber".

The fiasco of the "King of Spain", who, with 20,000 men, "marched up a hill and then—marched down again", was repeated a hundred years later by a certain glee club, which, with much flourish, came to a college town and—marched back again.

And now, dear Mother Goose, you shall furnish the epitaph for this tribute to your perennial presence in the nursery of the heart:

Here dies on Tuesday, what was born on Monday.
And this is the end of Solomon Grundy.

EGYPTIAN DREAMERS.

EGYPTIAN dreamers! Thought rushes backward to the dim centuries of long ago—back to Joseph, back to Pharaoh.

Land of Egypt; land of the lotus; garden of the world! Ever tramping ground of armies! But now

mark a birthdate : a place, a name ; 1769, Kavala in Macedonia, Mehemet Ali. In 1800 the feet of this Macedonian first touched the soil of Egypt. Six years later he was the viceroy. What wise statesmanship he showed ! What military genius !

But Egypt, already his, is too narrow. His eyes look southward and to the east and west. He sees the Soudan, Darfour, Nubia and the boundless equatorial provinces. What an empire ! But before he could complete his empire, the messenger came who knocks so rudely at palaces as well as hovels. The dream of Mehemet lingering, was nearly realized by the grandson Ismail. The wonderful regions of equatorial Africa were opened. The waters of the Mediterranean and Red Seas had met through the Suez canal. The arteries of Egypt throbbed with new life.

In 1877 the new Soudanese empire included Kordafan, Darfour, Nubia and the great equatorial provinces. But in 1879 came a rude awakening. Ismail, the extravagant, improvident dreamer, was deposed. The false Mahdi appeared. Then came the destruction of the Egyptian army, followed by the supreme disaster, the capture of Khartoum and death of Gordon.

The vision is past. Egypt of today, shrunken within the northern valley of the Nile, its nominal ruler a boy, forgetful of past ambitions, waits to hear Britain whisper the word that shall make the dim-aged empire but a province. And is this the end? No ! No !! I, too, become an Egyptian dreamer. A vision of a better future passes before me. The renewed vision of the Hebrew prophet glows before me as I witness fulfilled "Ethiopia stretching out her hands". I see wherever the waters of the Nile gather or flow, there an empire of strength, an empire of peace.

THE MISSIONS OF GLADSTONE.

"THAT old fox who reads church prayers when there are plenty of others to read them, and who, according to Kinglake, is a good man in the least sense of the term".

It is easy to credit these words to Gail Hamilton ; to believe that they voice her opinion of William E. Gladstone is more difficult. But Gail Hamilton keeps a sharp lookout for wrong, and seldom fails to find what she is looking for. The cannonade of her relentless logic is ever pointed at all forms of oppres sion and injustice, from the murder of young, misguided Philip Spencer to the Pharisaic ordinance that now threatens Mrs. Maybrick's life. As head of the English government, Mr. Gladstone catches her fire. Is her estimate of him just?

No true son of New England would fail to acknowledge that Mr. Gladstone is a smart, very smart man, eminent in school, church and state. But are his abilities turned to the best advantage for either church, school or state?

In the first place, while certain German scholars claim that Homer's Iliad and Odyssey are not the work of one author, but of several, and that they were collected and strung together long after Homer's time, Mr. Gladstone maintains, from the same divisions, that they are the work of one and the same author. Now, to determine the authorship of the Iliad is harder than to decide who wrote the description of Moses' death in the Pentateuch. Besides, Mr. Gladstone is warring against a set of critics who fight among themselves, and who, if each of them spent as much time in attacking his own theories as in riddling those of his neighbors, would soon not have a theory left to stand upon. The Homeric question is a sort of modern Holy Grail, in that those who pursue it much are about sure to get lost themselves.

Secondly, Mr. Gladstone considers it a great duty to beat back the tide of unbelief which is overwhelming his country. Now, in a land where the religion of the cross is maintained at government expense, and maintained handsomely, too ;where the Bible is looked upon as the source of the nation's greatness ;where orthodoxy is rewarded, and heresy blights many a noble man's career, is there any need that a great statesman should seek to add to the *eclat* of a public gathering by reading the service himself? Do his ecstatic eulogies of Chri tianity make truth any truer, or the false any less attractive? Did not his attack on "Robert Elsmere" make more sales for the novel than for the criticism?

True religion is not a matter of parade. Some of America's greatest statesmen have confessed that they never retired without repeating the prayers of their childhood, but they never said them to add to the attractions of a public celebration.

Mr. Gladstone's third and great work is to secure home rule for Ireland. Our sympathies go out to Ireland, to any country under British dominion. We are heartily grateful to the patriot fathers of '76 who secured home rule for themselves and us. But Mr. Gladstone has given himself, body and soul; has

grown old in the service, and made himself a mere political trickster, to secure home rule for a people who have given ample proof that they want not home rule, but ring rule, saloon rule, Papal rule. The Irish question is simply a squabble between the British government and the Romish priesthood, and if ever there is an independent Irish parliament it will be manipulated by the Pope.

Ah, Mr. Gladstone! Where is your threefold mission? Even could you prove beyond a doubt that Homer wrote the Iliad, the copyright would do him little good at this late day.

The tide of unbelief will no more yield to your beating than did the sea to Mrs. Partington's mop. A whip proved very serviceable in driving sinners out of the temple; it will fail in driving them back. And, finally, when Ireland shall have learned that her worst foes are within rather than without,at Rome rather than at Westminster,then will the day of her deliverance be at hand; till then is your labor vain.

EDUCATIONAL CHANGE.

THESE are days of educational change. Within a few years many innovations in educational work have been strongly agitated in all live and progressive countries. The last decade of the nineteenth century promises to go down to history as pre-eminently an epoch of educational reform. The cry for change is heard on all sides. In Germany, the gymnasium question is foremost in the minds of the people; in England, free education, or how far shall popular vote settle local school questions, and in America, university extension, and shall the college course be shortened from four to three years? This last is the problem that Columbia, Harvard and Chicago University are endeavoring to solve, and the final answer is anxiously awaited by the whole college fraternity.

The greatest fault found with the American college is that it tends to unfit a man for the real problems and duties of life. They tell us it is truly a bitter lesson that the young college alumnus has to learn the first few months after receiving his diploma. No mere pedantic polish passes for true coin then. Not what he has on him, but what he is serves him in good stead at that critical period.

The vital question of today is how to transform our institutions, venerable with age, so they will meet the needs and requirements of modern times. The cry, which has held the popular ear so long, has been to change the studies in the curriculum—make Greek and Latin optional and substitute more modern and practical subjects. A liberal education cannot be wooed and won by any such superficial maneuvering. The truth of the matter lies much deeper. Some one has said that the two great ends of a college course are to help a man get his intellectual tools in as perfect a condition as possible for every and any exigency, and in the second place to give him such exercise in the use of these tools as will bring him into close and living contact with the best life and inteilectual action of the age. In the ideal system these two ends must work together, for the mind gets its best discipline in dealing with real problems.

Laying aside the question of discipline, the value of which is denied by no one, the discussion seems to hinge on the point, what are the real problems best fitted to develop the mind and to so keep it in touch with practical affairs that a college course will be most beneficial? It is conceded that such a result is possible, and the theory is advanced by some of our best educators that the subjects discussed are not so much a matter of importance as are the methods of instruction.

"To sit on one end of a log with Mark Hopkins on the other", was the rather jocular definition of a university of the first class given by President Garfield, an ardent admirer of that great teacher. And we can all picture our ideal institution made up of ideal teachers in our own experience; indeed, the ideal school or college is not so much a matter of elegant buildings, fine equipments and heavy endowments as it is a matter of who is on the other end of the log. No two teachers have the same methods and ways. Under some instructors studies develop into a monotonous routine—the lesson in the book is simply recited; no new thoughts are brought up in the class-room, and no desire for original work is created, all consider the study a bore and no practical benefit is derived from it. While the same studies under different instructors prove attractive and interesting—students seldom leave the class-room without taking with them new ideas from the instructor, and an interest for pursuing the work farther is stimulated. It is an education in itself to be associated with such men. It is said that Mr. Gladstone can hold an audience through a long speech dealing with dry statistics of finance; this is the power needed in every class-room. The proper methods in the hands of a properly-equipped teaching

force cannot render a college course in any way injurious to the life interests of the student.

Man your colleges with professors able to create enthusiasm, men who are really interested in their work; then give the student a clear idea of the object of his course and fewer cries of dissatisfaction will be heard against college education.

Literary.

THE ESSENTIALS OF A COURSE OF STUDY.

IN a former article I intimated that the signs of the times suggest a future classification of colleges and universities according to geographic situation. In past years there has been a large movement of students from the West to eastern colleges. The ultimate reason for this, without doubt, lies in the loyalty to Alma Mater in the men who have, for one hundred years, been pouring westward from New England and the Middle States. This loyalty has sent many a son back to the ancestral training school. This first love is surely giving place to a loyalty to home interests and the adopted State. Universities and colleges are springing up and becoming equipped in an unexpected manner. Their courses of instruction are laid out, based on the good qualities and avoiding the defects of our older colleges. Tradition in these new institutions does not exist to obstruct any new and progressive ideas advanced. Thus it has happened that strong and aggressive institutions have sprung up in our western States. If we draw a line from Lake Erie to the Gulf we shall find on either side of that line five powerful Universities; to the east are Harvard, Yale, Pennsylvania, Columbia and Cornell; to the west are Michigan, Chicago, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Leland Stanford, Junior. These Universities are intensively aggressive, but each in a characteristic way. The student who aims at a professional career looks at the facilities for his particular profession which are offered at these centers. While those in the second list do not show in the aggregate so large an enrollment, the same enthusiasm and keen-sighted judgment which have developed their beginnings will still watch over their growth. It permeates the stu dent body; it is talked about wherever patrons live, and is becoming known throughout the length and breadth of the land. So the question is a fair one; will not eastern fathers, looking for a University, turn to the West as the locality exhibiting in its centers of learning that environment of zeal and strength they would like to see surrounding their sons? I am frank to say that I know of no more eye-opening and broadening experience for a Vermont college graduate than to come to Minnesota and take a University course in law, medicine or engineering amid the stir, energy and enthusiasm of Minneapolis daily life. A young man's career must be among people; he must know people to succeed. In Minneapolis he will have before him some high types of successful men. The next twenty-five years will show a crystallization of present tendencies into the hard and symmetrical facts of educational development. With the brief time and the amount of money necessary for transport between Maine and the Mississippi, distance will no longer be a serious barrier; our great Universities will all rapidly become national, as Yale is today for Congregationalists and Cornell for engineers. Local influences will keep the cost of living at a minimum; the controlling spirits of its faculty will push forward the leading features of each institution, thus presenting their best lines of study in the strongest light. The exacting demands of employers will stimulate ambitious young men to the highest preparation for life. . . . .

But a question which is pressing upon the attention of college and university authorities both east and west is this: What shall we require for a degree? The growth in many States of the High School system places within the hands of local boards the dictum of college preparation. True, they are bound by certain conditions of environment, but there is enough freedom left for much erratic work. Recognizing, then, the fact that diversity of preparation will exist, we must look to the higher institutions for the equalizing process which shall make a bachelor's degree one of high worth and dignity. Every course of study in its last analysis stands for a group of personalities, even if most college facilities will deny it. The strong, aggressive minds are those whose work stands foremost in the curriculum. A young man worth $10,000 a year in any other business career, if he takes up teaching, will soon reach a front place or quit the business.

We note changes as our present curricula are laid beside those of twenty five years ago. They consist in advancing modern languages at the expense of the classics and biological subjects at the expense of Psychology or Mental Philosophy. Are we ready to

admit the reasonableness of the usurpation? Let us look. Our Psychology, or Mental Philosophy, was taught up to the past ten years as a mass of inductions and the mass began to accumulate hundreds of years before our Christain era began. In the light of the modern scientific method, this mass is no more science, i. e., *classified knowledge*,than is the doctrine of election as deduced by St. Augustine from the Epistles of Paul. That both are related is admitted on the one hand by the young and clear-headed religious thinkers of today and on the other by the school of physiological psychologists who are supplanting the old philosophers as rapidly as laboratories can be equipped. This modern experimental psychology is not a fundamental subject in a discip linary course. There are questions concerning the living environment and the evolution of man reaching much further backward and downward. So the biological sciences, botany and zoology, must have a place in order that the natural foundation for physiology and psychology can be secured by the study of living things. Upon that foundation let students build a superstructure of psychology or political science or natural history as a culture course or the preparation for a professional career. With still greater force can one present the arguments for the language side of the college curriculum. All essential language study is merely a means to an end, and that end is *the power of expression*. All language work, whether in Greek, Latin, French or German, must be done with this end in view, that we can get a stronger hold on the capabilities of the English language, our mother tongue. The argument cannot be here laid out; we can only say that all language work should lead up to Rhetoric—English language historically considered, and English literature as an adjustable tool of the practical, hard-working, educated man. Without taking more space, let us summarize the essentials:

Languages,	Ancient, Modern, English (including rhetoric and literature).
The Natural Sciences,	Physical, Chemistry, Physics, Biological, Botany, Zoology.
Mathematics,	Algebra, Trigonometry.

Upon the foregoing as a basis let the curriculum be completed with elections as the several chairs of the institution will permit.

C. W. HALL.

The University of Minnesota, Minneapolis.

Obituary.

'28. Samuel Everts

DIED in Boston, April 28, death resulting from an operation performed to remove a cancer from the face, a similar operation to which he had successfully sustained some years ago. He was born in Cornwall, Addison County, Vt., in 1808. He entered Middlebury College in the fall of 1824 and graduated with the class of 1828. He was the last surviving member of that class, which was composed of nineteen members, several of whom gained prominence and distinction. Among them were Judge J. N. Chipman of Michigan, Rev. Samuel W. Cozzens, once of Weybridge; Gen. F. W. Hopkins of Rutland, Rev. Amzi Jones, once of Shoreham; Rev. Freeman Lane, once of Manchester; Rev. John Jason Owen, the eminent classical scholar and author of the College of the City of New York; John Mason Parker, member of Congress and judge of the New York Supreme court; Rev. P. B. Stone, editor of the Christian Reporter, and David B. Tower, an eminent educator and school book author.

Mr. Everts was a teacher, surveyor, business man and farmer. He had always made his home in his native town, and for several years was town clerk, justice of the peace and held many other positions of trust. He had been postmaster at Cornwall for nearly a half century. His remains were brought to Cornwall for funeral and burial

'58. Charles S. Colburn,

WHO had been in poor health for several months, died at his home in Pittsford, April 19. He had been apparently as well as usual, but while returning from Rutland about a week before his death, he was taken seriously ill, from the effects of which he did not get better. He was the only child of Chas. T. Colburn and was born in Pittsford, July 2, 1833. He fitted for college at Burr and Burton Seminary in Manchester, entered Middlebury and was graduated in the class of 1858. After graduating, he studied law at Harvard, where he graduated in 1862. The same year he began his practice of law at Rutland, but soon after gave it up to take an appointment under the late Stephen A. Walker as clerk in the pay department of the army. At the close of the war he resumed his practice of law in New York city, but on ac-

count of his father's poor health gave up his practice there and returned to Pittsford. In 1877 he was elected town clerk and treasurer, which offices he held until his death. The year he returned from New York he was appointed Judge of the Probate court, holding his position until Dec. 1, 1878. In 1882 he was elected Senator from Rutland county. When the Merchants' National bank of Rutland was organized, a few years since, he was elected one of its directors, which office he has since held. He had been largely connected with Wright & Co. sending money and taking western securities. He had always taken a great interest in the public schools and general municipal affairs in Pittsford. In 1889 he was made a trustee of Midelebury College and always has been active in its interests.

He has been a member and supporter of the Congregational church for many years. He was married in 1879 to Emma Willard of Castleton. He leaves two daughters to mourn his loss.

'94. William Philip Clark

THE sad news of the death of William P. Clark, a member of the class of '94, at his home near Vergennes, came all unexpectedly to his friends at Middlebury on the morning of April 17. At the close of the winter term and on the evening of the Junior exhibition he had seemed usually well, only rather tired and worn from extra work. In talking with a friend, he said he was not feeling very well, but was going home for a few days' rest soon. The following Sunday he was at home, but soon returned to his work in Middlebury; however, it was to return to his home on the following Friday. He had a chill and in a day or two after took to his bed. Dr. Willard of Vergennes being called, pronounced him ill with intermittent fever. He was not thought dangerously sick by friends or physicians till Saturday, April 15, when typhoid symptoms were manifest; he died on the following day at about 10:30 o'clock in the evening.

Mr. Clark was born in Ferrisburgh, Vt., Feb. 17, 1873. His early life was upon the farm and early education at the district school; later he attended the Graded school at Vergennes and graduated from there in the Latin-Scientific course with the class of '90; the following September he entered Middlebury with the class of '94. Mr. Clark's career as a student has been one of earnest purpose, original endeavor and untiring zeal in all things to which he gave his attention. He was always faithful, honest and hard-working in all things. Has ever been a supporter of all college organizations and especially interested in the Athletic and College literary organizations; at the time of his death was Field-day director and during the preceding year one of The UNDERGRADUATE board. The greatest zeal and work of his life, however, have been given to the *Kaleidoscope*, the Junior annual. Since his election to the position of editor-in-chief, last fall, his labor has been unceasing in its interests; it is thought his work and care upon this so undermined his general health that he fell an easier victim of fever. After he had gone home sick he would get up to write for a few minutes at a time and up till nearly the last he was making changes in what was done and developing further plans, sending letters to his assistants regarding these matters. The volume will ever bear evidence of his genius, industry and regard for duty.

His manner and life were quiet and unassuming. Of a genial presence and kindly nature, he was well liked by everybody. These qualities and the sterling worth of his character made him many and enduring friends.

The funeral was held at his home on Wednesday, April 19. With one exception, his was the first death that has occurred in college for nearly 15 years. Pres. Brainerd conducted the exercises; music was furnished by a quartette composed of Hasseltine '93, Toleman '94, Cushman '95 and Roscoe '96. The bearers were Edgar R. Brown and Benj. C Miner of the Senior class and Frank H. Bigelow and Albert A. Sargent of the Junior class. The floral tributes were many and beautiful, those of his class and fraternity, who were present in a body, being among the most elegant; the design of the latter was the monogram in roses set out from a bank of flowers, across the top of which were the words "Our Brother".

The following resolutions are those adopted by the Delta Upsilon fraternity, of which Mr. Clark was a member:

WHEREAS, In the providence of God, death has taken from us our brother, William P. Clark,

Resolved, The Middlebury Chapter of the Delta Upsilon Fraternity sustains the loss of one of its most earnest and loyal members, and that we as active members mourn the departure of a true friend and helpful brother.

Resolved, We tender our heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family and sorrowing friends.

Resolved, These resolutions be entered upon the records of the Chapter and inserted in the College and Fraternity publications.

Personals.

[*The editor of this department appreciates the fact that it is one of pecial interest to the alumni. But as they are widely scattered and many are unknown to him, he asks them to send to the Undergraduate from time to time whatever items they may come in possession of and thus aid in making this department what the alumni desire it to be and what the editors endeavor to make it.*]

'36. Hon. William Slade has an article in the April number of the *Forum* on "The Attractions and Abuses of the Consular Service." It is a well-written and interesting article, and elucidates some ideas that are not generally known. Having himself performed the duties of consul, he is able to cite facts in the matter. He says that the service is of great importance to American commerce, and that it is through the consuls that our people find out about the actual condition of affairs and values of wages and materials in other parts of the world. For performing all these services and gaining information fees may be charged In nearly all cases these fees amount to more than the salary of the consul. And in cities like London and Paris the amount obtained in this way is more than the salary of the minister to that country. The multifarious duties need the labors of competent men but these offices are subjected to the political changes, and incompetent men are frequently appointed. In most of these places the consul should know how to speak the language of the country. And it will take a new person nearly his four years to learn the language. Then another is given the position. Mr. Slade thinks this is one of the greatest reasons for consuls not being subjected to change with the administration, and an examination of the consul's capabilities should be made before he is appointed to the position.

'47. George N. Boardman, D. D., is in poor health and will pass the summer in Pittsford.

'48. Rev. Dr. W. A. Farnsworth writes in a recent letter: "I am now the oldest male missionary of our mission. Of 534 names on the roll of the American Board, only nine (four women and five men) have been there longer than Mrs. Farnsworth and myself. We are now living on a powder magazine; the government is doing its best to prevent an outbreak of the evil elements and we hope it will succeed. It is just 40 years since I came into this field, and I do not think I have seen a time when there was more real sense of anxiety than there is just now. I have never seen the day when I regretted my decision to be a missionary. I have enjoyed the somewhat peculiar privilege of coming to a new field and of working right on in the same field all the time. Have just received a pleasant letter from Blanchard's (1848) widow. They had no children. When in the seminary I wrote brief sketches of my seminary classmates, and what I wrote of him, my chum, seems almost like prophecy."

'51. Prof. Solon Albee, who has been spending some time in Middlebury, has returned to his home in Langdon, N. H.

'59. Rev. M L. Severance, pastor at Bennington Center, Vt., has been ill for several weeks.

'61. Rev. Chandler N. Thomas, pastor of the Congregationalist church at New Haven, has recently been elected superintendent of schools for that town.

'62. E. A. Hasseltine, supervisor of schools for Addison county, has been giving teachers' examinations in different parts of the county.

'64. John A. Mead, M. D., president of the Howe Scale Co. of Rutland and Senator from Rutland county, was elected recently the first mayor of that city.

'67. Hon. David N. Burke, who recently received the appointment of United States Consul at Pernambuco, was in Middlebury for a few days the latter part of April. He expressed his appreciation of the appointment and expects not only to be useful to the United States, but to have an enjoyable time.

'68. Alfred E. Higley, recently of Watertown, Mass., is having a residence built on South street in this village, with the intention of making his future home here.

'72. Rev. E. L. Walker was returned to his old charge at West Chazy, N. Y., by the recent session of the Troy Conference.

'74. L. H. Batchelder, professor of Chemistry and Physics, Hamline University, St. Paul, Minn., will be orator of Alumni day.

'76. Geo. F. B. Willard, M. D., of Vergennes is on the board of aldermen for that city.

'78. The Putnam Presbyterian church of Zanesville, Ohio, of which Rev. E. E. Rogers is pastor, having been extensively repaired,was re-dedicated March 24. The daily papers of that city gave full reports and spoke highly of the church. The *Daily Courier* gives the following: "The popularity of the pastor of the church, and the untiring zeal which he has manifested in the church's interest, is evidenced by the hearty support and co-operation of his parishioners. The Rev. Edwin Everett Rogers was born in Wallingford, Vt., in September, 1853, and his life has been devoted to the cause of Christianity. Born on a farm, he received the rudiments of an education in the common schools. He was converted to Christianity when 17 years of age and became a member of the Congregational church. He fitted himself for college at Burr & Burton academy at Manchester, Vt., graduating in 1874, and four years later received his degrees from Middlebury college. Not content with these scholarly attainments, he entered the Union Theological Seminary of New York city and graduated in 1881. The now famous Dr. Briggs, who was tried for heresy, was his instructor in Hebrew. During the three years spent at the theological seminary, he was engaged in mission work at the Allan Street Presbyterian church. Immediately upon the completion of his course in the theological seminary, he was called to the Hammonton, N. J, Presbyterian church but the mission work done at the Allan street church had made an impression and he was called to that church in 1884. In 1886 he went to East Hardwick, Vt., and spent one year, returning to the Covenant chapel on East Forty second street, where he remained until coming to this city. A scholarly, cultured gentleman, affable in temperament and of sterling Christian character, he has endeared himself to his parishioners, and has taken an active interest in modernizing the church edifice."

'84. Rev. R. J. Barton of Salisbury, Vt., has been taking his annual vacation and visited in the north part of the State.

'85. W. N. Severance, formerly in business at Atlantic City, N. J., is taking a limited course of treatment under the guidance of the medical directors of the insane asylum at Brattleboro. Mr. Severance was an inventor and too hard mechanical work is thought to have caused his illness.

'86. The engagement of Willis M. Ross, attorney-at-law, Rutland, to Miss Anne, daughter of Col. J. H. Goulding, has been announced.

'87. C. Ford Langworthy, who has been studying at Strasburg, Germany, for nearly four years, is expected home this month.

'87. John A. Fletcher, teller in the First National bank of West Superior, Wis., spent the latter part of March at his father's, Col. A. A. Fletcher, Mlddlebury.

'89. L. H. Raine has an excellent position as private secretary in connection with the Quigley Furniture Co., Whitesboro, N. Y.

'89. C. S. Severance, reporter on the Chicago *Tribune*, was recently sand-bagged, while on duty late at night, robbed and seriously wounded.

'90. W. H. Button, of the law firm of Button & Button, Middlebury, will deliver the poem on Alumni day.

'90. John Thomas visited in this county during April. Mr. Thomas will deliver the Master's oration on Commencement day. By a recent action of the trustees of the college this will be the last Master's oration to be made during Commencements. He is one of the four orators to take part in the graduation exercises of his class at Union Theological Seminary.

'91. F. D. Boynton has accepted the position of principal of a High school at Ithaca, N. Y., at a salary of $1500 per annum.

'91. Ezra W. Benedict visited Middlebury, March 28 and 29, calling on friends. He is very pleasantly located as principal of a High school at Willsborough, N. Y.

'91. Carl A. Mead, of Burr & Burton seminary at Manchester, spent a few days of his vacation in Middlebury; he also visited New York city.

'91 T. H. Noonan is with Swift & Bell, attorneys-at law, Potsdam, N. Y. A party was given him by his friends before his departure from St. Regis Falls. The *Adirondack News* of April 29 has the following: "Mr. T. H. Noonan, who came to this town almost a year ago and who has since studied law in the office of J. W. Webb, has been asked by the law firm of Swift & Bell of Potsdam to enter their employ. As Mr. Noonan considers this a good opening, he has accepted, and will leave our town next Monday. Mr. Bell was a classmate of Mr. Noonan while in college. While Mr. Noonan has been here he has made many friends. He is a young man of ability and energy

and one bound to succeed in the profession which he has chosen. We wish him every success."

'92. J. F. McNaboe visited the college April 15 and 16. He is teaching in Troy, N. Y., and studying law.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

Prayer-meeting every Tuesday evening at 6:30 o'clock.

Several new active members were joined to the association last term.

The subjects considered at the weekly meetings at present are being taken as scheduled in the Congregationalist Hand-book.

When God would secure to man the highest, best-balanced, most long-continued action of mental and moral power, he does it by giving him a sound physique.—*Mark Hopkins.*

Tongue cannot describe the love of Christ; finite minds cannot conceive of it, and those who know most of it can only say, with inspiration, that it "passeth knowledge."—*Payson.*

Frank A. Keller, Yale '92, general secretary of the Students' volunteer movement for foreign missions,l addressed the students in the college chapel Sunday, April 30, in the interests of the association. Several facts of missionary interest were forcibly presented.

Would it not be feasible, and greater good result, if we should hold our weekly meetings in the chapel; and, inasmuch as this is a co-educational institution, invite the young ladies of the college to attend and take part in these meetings? Such meetings as these are held in some of our colleges, and we believe in our college a much larger attendance would be secured and more good accomplished. A trial of this plan would do no harm and might prove more acceptable than at first had been thought possible.

The conference of College Y. M. C. A. presidents was held at Harvard University, April 20–23. Twenty-six institutions were represented. With the exception of the Y. M. C. A. presidents of Princeton and of two colleges in Canada, all the delegates were from New England. Secretaries Mott, Leonard, Beaver and Keller were present and took part in the exercises. The delegates also had opportunities of hearing Professor Henry Drummond, Glasgow, Scotland; Rev. Mr. Horton, Oxford, England; Rev. W. T. Rainsford, D. D., St. George's church, New York; Rev. Alexander McKenzie, D. D., Shepherd Memorial church, Cambridge, Mass.

All students, whether active Christians or not, should try to attend the Tuesday evening meetings. One cannot attend these meetings without forming stronger bonds of friendship and reap much moral and intellectual good. We assume it safe to say that there are much better opportunities for the student for doing good right here in college than in more public places. We wonder sometimes why more, and, in fact, all professing Christians in college do not attend and take an active part in our meetings. Although somewhat obscure and attended only by college students, yet there has been a good attendance so far this year and much resulting good. More attention should be given by the students in general to the Y. M. C. A. of Middlebury College.

The World's Student conference will be held July 1–12, 1893, in Northfield, Mass. Some fine speakers have already been engaged. Professor Henry Drummond, Glasgow, Scotland, who is already in this country, will be present. Rev. Henry Van Dyke, D. D., New York city, of the Brick Presbyterian church, formerly one of the Harvard preachers, and recently called to a professorship in Andover Theological Seminary; Rev. H. P. Beach, School of Christian Workers, Springfield, Mass., formerly missionary in China, so well received at the Lake Geneva gathering for the past two years: Professor George T. Purves, Princeton College, one of the strongest and most popular members of the Princeton faculty and very influential with the whole student body; Congressman W. C. P. Breckenridge of Kentucky, acknowledged to be one of the leading orators of the United States today, are expected to be present. Among other speakers already approached and confidently expected are: Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler, Brooklyn, N. Y., Professor M. W. Jacobus, Hartford Theological Seminary; Rev. W. H. P. Faunce, New York City, a prominent Canadian speaker, and also two leading men from abroad. Mr. Moody will be present throughout the conference. The following will be leaders of Bible classes: Robert E. Speer, Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions, New York City, James McConaughy, Instructor of the English Bible in Mt. Hermon School.

MEETING OF THE COMMISSION OF COLLEGES AT BOSTON.

Professor Plehn went to Boston Thursday evening, April 27, to attend the meeting of the "Commission of Colleges in New England on Admission Examinations", as substitute for Prof. Elton, the regular member of the "commission" from this college, who was not feeling well enough to make the journey. The Commission met at the Copley Square Hotel, in Boston, Friday and Saturday, April 28 and 29. Delegates were present from Amherst, Boston, Bowdoin, Brown, Colby, Dartmouth, Harvard, Middlebury, Smith, Trinity, Tufts, Wellesley, Wesleyan, Williams and Yale. The session Friday afternoon was devoted to a conference with a committee from the "New England association of Colleges and Preparatory Schools," which had been appointed to urge upon the Commission the necessity in the preparatory schools and to suggest certain changes in the requirments for admission to colleges which would enable the schools to do better work. The session, Friday evening, was taken up by a discussion of the suggestions of this committee of conference, and a committee was appointed to investigate the college requirements for admission in Latin and Greek. Another committee was appointed to see if the use of certificates of admission from the preparatory schools was causing any lack of uniformity in requirements. Saturday morning was employed in considering the advisability of enlarging the scope of the Commission so as to include a consideration of the whole field of requirements for admission to college,and not,as heretofore,merely the matter of uniformity in requirements. It was decided to ask the colleges for such an enlargement of the Commission's powers. Harvard, Wellesley, Smith and Trinity had previously taken favorable action on this question. The mooted question of the substitution of Attic Greek for Homer in the preparatory course was not discussed in any of the meetings,none of the delegates except Prof. Seymoure of Yale favoring such a change Prof. Plehn returned to Middlebury Saturday night on the sleeper.

Base Ball.

Although so far this season our college team has had some difficulty in arranging games and though the weather has prevented some when arranged, yet we see no reason for discouragement. Our team is a strong one,with the same men as last year with the exception of Wasson, '96, who plays third base. The recent trip made by the team did not prove a financial success, as only one game was played on account of the weather. But no halting should be made on this account, but the team kept hard at work practicing, and the students should make a grand rally for the support of our team by a most liberal financial aid. With proper training we have great faith in our nine, and more enthusiastic and general support should be given them. On May 9 the Middleburys played the Cuban Giants on the college grounds. Games from smaller teams are also to be played. It is to be hoped that arrangements can be made for games with the Yale and U. V. M. teams. The schedule of the New York, Connecticut and Massachusetts trip has as yet not been completed.

The second base-ball nine, which was formed this spring, promises, with faithful training, to become a formidable team. The manager has already arranged several games. One which will undoubtedly prove interesting and draw a crowd, is the game arranged with the Bristol nine, to be played on the Bristol grounds on Decoration day.

The college base-ball team started the third week of April on a trip through central New York with the intention of plaving Union College, Colgate University, Troy and Utica teams, but on account of unfavorable weather only one game was played and that with Union College. Our nine won the game, the score standing 11 to 5 in favor of Middlebury.

MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE.

	AB.	R.	IB.	SH.	PO.	A.	E.
Ross	4	2	1	0	0	1	0
Taylor	5	1	0	1	2	7	0
Adams	4	2	1	0	0	0	2
Sturtevant	5	1	0	0	18	0	0
Douglass	4	0	2	0	0	0	0
Wynne	5	1	1	0	0	0	0
Wasson	4	1	1	0	0	0	0
Seeley	3	1	1	0	4	5	0
Ross, 93	4	2	2	0	3	2	1
	38	11	9	1	27	15	3

UNION COLLEGE.

Beattie	3	1	0	0	3	0	2
Merchant	4	2	1	0	0	0	1
Sullivan	2	0	0	1	11	2	0
Vallence	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
Ligsby	3	0	0	0	2	2	1
Anchampaugh	3	0	0	0	0	0	1
Renwich	2	0	0	0	1	0	1
Foley	4	0	0	0	2	4	0
Villapaugh	3	1	0	0	6	1	1
	28	5	1	1	26	*9	7

Earned runs, Middlebury 3, Union 0; 2 base hits, Ross, '93, Merchant; 3 base hits, Seeley; home runs, Wasson; bases stolen, Middlebury 8, Union 4; bases on called balls, Middlebury 1, Union 7; struck out by Taylor 5, by Ligsby 11; passed balls, Seeley 1, Sulli-

van 1; wild pitches, Taylor 1, Ligsby 4; double plays, Foley to Beattie. *Douglass out, hit by batted ball.

The Colgate team arrived here April 24 and played the Middlebury team on the home grounds in the afternoon. This was the first time this year the regular ground had been played on, and our team failed to play as sharply as usual. The Colgates played well and won the game 10 to 4.

MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE.

	AB.	R.	IB.	SH.	PO.	A.	E.
Ch. Ross, ss	5	0	0	0	2	3	0
Taylor, p	2	0	1	0	4	3	0
Adams, lf	5	0	2	0	0	0	0
Sturtevant, 1b	4	1	2	0	7	0	2
Douglass, rf	4	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wynne, cf	4	0	1	0	0	0	0
Wasson, 3b	3	1	0	0	1	2	4
Seeley, c	2		1	0	10	2	1
P. Ross, 1b	3		0	0	3	2	0
	32	4	7	0	27	12	7

COLGATE UNIVERSITY.

Briggs, rf	3	2	0	0	1	0	0
Mills, ss	4	1	0	0	1	0	0
Leete, 2b	4	2	1	0	4	3	0
F. Monroe, p	5	1	3	0	1	4	0
Brown, cf	4	2	2	0	1	0	0
Risley, 1b	5	1	1	1	12	0	1
Ford, lf	5	0	1	0	0	0	0
P. Monroe, c	3	1	0	1	7	4	0
Smith 3b	4	0	0	0	0	1	1
	37	10	8	2	27	12	2

Earned runs, Colgate University 3; 2 base hits, Adams; stolen bases, Middlebury College 9, Colgate University 8; double plays, C. Ross and P. Ross; bases on balls, off Taylor 6, off Monroe 8; struck out by Taylor 10, by Monroe 6; left on bases, Middlebury College 10, Colgate University 6; wild pitches, Taylor 1, Monroe 1; passed balls, Seeley 5. Time of game, 2 hours 15 minutes. Umpire, P. Stewart.

Town and Campus.

Long, '96, has left college.

College was closed on Fast day.

Sniffen, '95, spent his vacation in Saratoga.

Reilly, '91, was in town Saturday, April 29.

Merrill, '96, is boarding at the Logan House.

Dorsey, '95, is working on a farm in Bridport.

Leonard, '95, was ill the fore part of this term.

Seeley, '93, was in New York city during vacation.

Prof. Janes visited New York city during vacation.

The usual spring cleaning is being done about college.

The Hawthorne club met at Dr. Plehn's home April 25.

But few students remained in town during the spring vacation.

Seeley, '93, was home for a few days the middle of the month.

Foster, '96, spent his vacation with Russell, '96, at New Haven.

The Chi Psi fraternity is making a lawn tennis court on the campus.

Rev. Robert L. Mattison of Utica, N. Y., visted Vicker, '95, May 6.

LaFleur, '94, spent a portion of his vacation as clerk at Marshall's.

Some of the students expect to wait on table at Saratoga this summer.

The different fraternities are getting their boats in order for the season.

Vicker, '95, visited Colby, '92, at his home in Lincoln during vacation.

Brown, '93, returned to college April 17, after a season at sugar-making.

The base ball diamond has recently been rolled and put in good condition.

Seely, Eddy and Miss King of the class of '94 are electing botany this term.

Hasseltine, '93, held a teachers' examination in Hancock April 26 and 27.

Wells, '94, and Riggs, '96, went on the New York base-ball trip as substitutes.

A few of the students are boarding at the new restaurant in the Battell block.

Moore and Goodman, '96, spent the fore part of the vacation with Hasseltine, '93.

Ex-Governor Wm. P. Dillingham will deliver an address here on Decoration day.

Prof. Janes was absent from college work for a couple of days on account of sickness.

Davis, '96, is associate editor of "Men of Vermont" for Addison and Rutland counties.

Megathlin, '93, visited Adams, '95, at his home in Arlington the latter part of vacation.

There has been some talk of building a grand stand upon the base-ball grounds this spring.

Prof. Eaton was unable to attend to his recitations April 10 and 11 on account of sickness.

Lamson, '96, took the prize at the Poverty social held at the Baptist parsonage April 12.

Mr. Dolyns of Oberlin College gave a talk to the members of the Prohibition club April 7.

Foster, '96, has secured a position as guard at the World's Fair, and will leave soon to assume his duties.

Janitor Bean has moved into the house owned by the college south of the Boarding Hall.

Cutts, '96, Grant, '95, Toleman and LaFleur, '94, and Megathlin, '93, passed the vacation in town.

Hesselgrave, '93, has engaged to become principal of Beeman academy at New Haven for the next year.

Quite a number of the students attended the social at the Congregational church, Friday evening, April 28.

The second base-ball team did not play at Burlington, Saturday, as arranged, on account of rainy weather.

President Brainerd and daughter, Miss Viola, spent the spring vacation with the president's brother in Boston.

F. H. Bigelow has been made editor-in-chief of the *Kaleidoscope*, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Clark.

Prof. and Mrs. Eaton took a trip during vacation and visited in Poughkeepsie, Fall River, Andover and Boston.

Edgerton, '96, is teaching school in Manchester. It is expected that he will be back by the latter part of the term.

Leonard, '95, had a runaway accident April 29. Mr. Leonard was thrown from the wagon, but not seriously injured.

Members of the Junior class are frequently seen this term with slightly wounded hands,caused by work in the laboratory

Vicker, '95, visited Harvard College April 20 as a delegate to the convention of School and College Y. M. C. A. presidents.

The Juniors who received honor appointments were Miss King, Miss Ritchie, Miss Clark, Miss Ranslow and O. J. Sawyer.

Philip B. Stewart,formerly captain of the Yale base-ball team, has coached and trained our team to some extent during the spring.

The Greek students of the Freshman class played a game of ball with the Latin-Scientifics of the same class on Thursday, May 4.

Cady, '93, attended the session of the Troy Conference at Albany, N. Y., and was re-assigned to the charge at East Middlebury.

Hesselgrave, '93, has finished his pastoral labors with the church at Weybridge on acccount of extra work he wishes to accomplish.

Frank Thomas, formerly of '93, but now attending Harvard, has been engaged to sing in the Jamaica Plain Unitarian church, Boston.

Prof. Plehn went to Boston April 28 as the delegate from Middlebury to attend the meeting of the New England association of Colleges.

Miss Breckenridge, '95, came near inflicting serious injury to one of her eyes recently by accidentally touching it with a hot curling iron.

The Latin-Scientifics of the Freshman class, under Prof. Seely, will prepare theses on assigned subjects to be read during the latter part of the term.

LaFleur, '94, started for Chicago May 3, but will make some stops and visit his home in Bay City, Mich., before assuming his duties as guard.

A good number of the students watched the work on the railroad wreck at the bridge Friday and Saturday. Eight loaded freight cars were in the river.

Ross and Wynne, '93, and Riggs, '96, have been chosen as a committee to solicit funds and see what can be done toward the building of a grand stand.

A second base-ball team has been organized among the College and High school students. Dorsey, '95, has been elected captain and Grant, '95, manager.

Miss Abernethy entertained sixteen members of the freshman class at her home in Weybridge on the evening of April 21. A pleasant time was reported.

The members of the Athletic association held a very enthusiastic meeting but a short time ago. About $150 was subscribed for the support of the base-ball team.

Principal Bullock of the High school has been awarded a fellowship by a Boston university and will resign his present position at the end of the school year.

Rev. Mr. Dickens, pastor of the Congregational church, is a graduate of Princeton and Rev. Mr. Noble, pastor of the Methodist church, is a graduate of Wesleyan.

The college base-ball team promises good work this season. The team is the same as last year except that Wasson, '96, plays third base instead of Dunton, formerly of '95.

Brown, '93, filled the pulpit of the Methodist church in Bridport, Sunday, April 23, in place of Leonard, '95, who was unable to be present at his charge on account of sickness.

Hesselgrave, '93, Hasseltine, '93, and Russell, '96, went to Burlington April 22 to hear the Symphony orchestra and also Miss Blauvelt, who will sing here Commencement time.

The following officers have been elected by the Boarding Hall association for the spring term: Commissary, Vicker, '95; treasurer, Donoway, '93; Hayes, '94, Adams, '95, and Taylor, '96, auditors.

Leonard, '95, attended the session of the Troy Conference at Albany, N. Y. He passed an examination and was admitted to the conference. The charges at Bridport and Shoreham have been assigned him.

Excellent music has been procured for the Commencement concert. Garthland's orchestra from Albany and also the well-known soprano singer, Miss Lillian Blauvelt, are expected to be in attendance.

Several students attended the ghost sociable of the Baptist Y. P. S. C. E., April 26, at the residence of Mr. T. E. Wells. Wells and Sawyer, '94, Roscoe and Miss Roseman, '96, supplied the music on the occasion.

Prof. Eaton has begun a series of lectures to his Bible class on the so-called false religions. These lectures are held immediately after the close of the morning service at the Congregational church. Dr. Plehn also lectures at the Baptist church at the same time.

But few colleges have as pleasant or well shaped a campus as Middlebury. This is a fact which some of our students fail to realize. As spring approaches, look out upon the campus and behold its beauty. When we return next year we shall undoubtedly see some improvements.

C. E. Gregory, '94, of Union College, agent for King, Richardson & Co., has been at the college getting students to canvass for their books. Mr. Townsend, '94, of Dartmouth, has also been here representing the Eagle Publishing Co. Both companies have secured agents to work for them during the summer.

The first issue of the *Aphrodite* appeared Thursday, April 11. It is a weekly paper gotten up by members of the Freshman class. The board of editors is as follows: Editor in-chief, E. H. Cutts; college editor, James Moore; literary, C. E. Fitzpatrick; sporting, H. E. Foster; city, G. C. Lamson; business manager, G. R. Riggs.

The annual meeting of the Undergraduate association was held in the chapel, Saturday, March 18. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, W. E. Chapman, '94; vice-president, C. A. Adams, '95; secretary, D. P. Taylor, '96. The report of the business manager not being ready, the election of business manager was postponed. A part of the association desiring the constitution to be amended, a committee was appointed for that purpose. At an adjourned meeting, April 13, the financial standing of the association was reported and O. J. Sawyer, '94, was re-elected business manager. D. H. Blossom and G. C. Lamson, '96, were elected assistant business managers. No amendments to the constitution were accepted. The report of the business manager showed the UNDERGRADUATE to be in good financial condition.

COMMENCEMENT.

Preparations for Commencement are lready being made by the Senior class. The arrangements for the concert have been completed and only first-class talent in every respect has been engaged.

Madame Lillian Blauvelt, who is now in Chicago with the New York Symphony orchestra, is to be the soprano soloist. Concerning her the *Musical Courier* of Oct. 19, 1892, says: "Seldom does a singer win such uniformly favorable press notices as has Lillian Blauvelt in Mr. Leidl's series of concerts at the Madison Square Garden. Certain it is that she ranks among the foremost artists of the day." And the *Cincinnati Enquirer* of Dec. 26, 1892: "There is no misgiving in saying that Miss Blauvelt stands today without a rival as a concert singer in this country".

Gartland's Orchestra of Albany, consisting of thirteen pieces, has been secured, and, in addition to furnishing music at the concert, will play for the morning exercises and the dance in the evening.

Other specialties for the concert are Mr. J. F. Knoll, cornet soloist, and Mr. Wm. K. Prussian, piccolo soloist.

There are sixteen members in the Senior class, and from the present outlook a most successful Commencement is anticipated.

College Notes.

By a recent action of the trustees of Colgate, lady students will be admitted to that institution.

Harvard college has made arrangements to allow students to complete the course necessary for the degree of A. B. in three years, and in the fourth year

to accomplish the work necessary to secure the degree of A. M.

One hundred of the ladies of the Ohio State University have left college on account of the refusal of the president to improve the sanitary conditions of several of the rooms.

John Hopkins, the founder of the university that bears his name, entered Baltimore when about nineteen years of age with sixty-two cents in his pocket and died worth millions of dollars.

Syracuse university has instituted a new programme for Commencement day. The general delivery of orations by the graduating class is to be done away with and some noteworthy orator will undoubtedly be secured.

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